

selfless man who uplifted the voices of those in need and who was committed to the notion of bettering the life of others.

Born on June 30, 1962 in Saigon, Vietnam, Tuan was the son of Nhan Le and Hoa Duong. Tuan emigrated with his family to the U.S. in 1975 after the fall of Saigon and settled in Southern California. As a stranger in a strange land, Tuan learned to adapt to his new home and country. He graduated high school and enrolled in Cal Poly where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree. A family man, Tuan was born as the fourth child in the household of seven siblings and was no stranger to family "comedy" and "drama." He remained unfazed by life-altering events surrounding him. He loved good food and good parties. Above all, he was a selfless man who was always available to lend a sympathetic ear to anyone who needed it.

Tuan was a jack of many trades. While in school, he worked in various stores where he liked their merchandises in order to get the employee's discount. After college, he ran a law office with his brother Kenny and then tried out his luck as an office manager for a dental office in Northern California. He went back to Vietnam and lived there for a while to reconnect with his roots. While there, he managed and owned several businesses as well as dabbled in the entertainment industry.

His compassion was boundless. By nature, his advocacy led to leadership and support for organizations such as GAPS, GVA and VROC. Wherever he lived, he created a support network for young LGBTQ+ individuals struggling with life challenges. He provided emotional support, shelters or food to especially LGBTQ+ youths of color. No matter your ethnic background, if someone refers you to Tuan, he would find ways to assist you. He generously gave times to family and friends, consoled those in time of needs and participated or organized charity events serving the vulnerable children and the poor and disabled elderly in Vietnam. There were many facets of Tuan that we came to know and each piece of him made up the person we all trust, love and respect.

Beside his father, Tuan was predeceased by his brother Duc Le. He is survived by his mother, lifelong partner Ngo Duc Anh, siblings and many nieces and nephews. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing this distinguished man and all the hard work he has done for the betterment of his community.

I thank Tuan for the lifelong dedication he has demonstrated in helping others.

HONORING JANELLE EDWARDS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a trailblazer and the receiver of the 2022 Remarkable Woman Award, Mrs. Janell Edwards. Mrs. Edwards has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and determination.

Mrs. Janell Edwards moved from Savannah, Georgia to Fayette, Mississippi, in 2006. For over a decade, she has been the force behind the non-profit, Fayette Community Organization. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and halt

to many of her programs, she decided to turn her focus and pour her energy into helping the community economically.

Mrs. Edwards and her husband are known in their community for their pecan trees. They pick pecans and sell them to a vendor in Natchez, MS. To help their neighbors, adults and children make money in Fayette, MS, they began purchasing the pecans from them. Because many of the trees are native, the Mississippi Extension Service was helpful in coming out to share with the community on how to care for their trees during the year, so that they could get the most potential yield during pecan season. This was truly a great start to broaden the horizon for Fayette, MS.

Mrs. Edwards is a member of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. She is no stranger to leading and being a part of organizations that help make a change. She was born a leader and holds the capability to mobilize others towards action. She attended Savannah State College, where she was engaged in several organizations; leading and supervised many activities and was the overseer for many projects.

With all the work Mrs. Edwards has done and doing, she has been recognized and received several awards. Some of them include the Outstanding Community Service Award in 2014, Inaugural Award of Rural Champions in 2014, and Nominated for the 4th Annual Gulf Coast Gospel Music Awards in the category: Radio Personality of the Year Kingdom Influencer in 2020, just to name a few. Mrs. Edwards was also the host of the Annual FAT to FIT Event in Fayette, MS, in 2011, averaging 500 attendees per day and she is currently working to make it an ongoing and large event on a local and national level.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mrs. Janell Edwards for her outstanding service and leadership in Fayette, MS.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ROSE WILDER

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a trailblazing educator and a good friend, Dr. Rose Ann Davis Hilliard Wilder, who transitioned on August 30, 2022 after a valiant battle with cancer. Her impact on the State of South Carolina will be felt for generations to come.

Born Rose Ann Davis on November 4, 1955, in Santee, South Carolina, Dr. Wilder was a daughter of the late Laco and Ruby Mae Fogle Davis.

From a young age, Dr. Wilder was passionate about education. It led her to earn an undergraduate degree in guidance and counseling, a master's in special education, and a PhD in education administration.

Dr. Wilder began her teaching career in 1979, and 8 years later she became assistant principal at Manning Primary School in Clarendon County. She went on to serve as the first principal of the new Manning Elementary School and later returned as principal of Manning Primary.

In 1994, Dr. Wilder was appointed assistant superintendent of instruction for Clarendon School District 2. Later that year, she was

chosen to lead the school district and made history by becoming the first African American female superintendent in South Carolina since the Reconstruction era. She served in that capacity for seven years, and in 1999, was named Outstanding Superintendent by the South Carolina School Board Association.

She left Clarendon County to serve as superintendent for the Fairfield County School District, but in 2004 returned to Clarendon County to serve as superintendent of Clarendon School District 1 in the Summerton area. While there, Dr. Wilder was recognized as the South Carolina Superintendent of the Year in 2014.

She retired in 2017, and became Director of Teaching Education at Morris College. In 2018, South Carolina Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman named her the Superintendent of Williamsburg County School District where she led the district under the supervision of the state department until her passing.

Dr. Wilder was an active member of several professional organizations and previously served as President of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators. In 1999 and 2020, the South Carolina General Assembly passed resolutions commending Dr. Wilder for her outstanding service in education.

In 2020, the Clarendon School District 1 Board of Trustees voted to officially rename St. Paul Elementary School the Dr. Rose H. Wilder Elementary School after receiving overwhelming community support to rename the school in Dr. Wilder's honor.

She was married to Dr. James C. Wilder, and they shared three children, Warren Lamont Wilder (deceased), Sharon Hilliard Horace, and Michelle Wilder Bedford. They also shared two grandchildren, Jaleah Wilder and Blake McKinley Horace.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and our colleagues to rise to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Rose Wilder. This remarkable woman helped shape the education and future of countless children throughout her career. They were her passion and her purpose, and she left no stone unturned in her determination to educate future generations and improve their quality of life. This giant and lifelong educator will be sorely missed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. COLIN Z. ALLRED

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Mr. ALLRED. Madam Speaker, on September 13, 2022, I was participating in a Presidential Delegation to the Republic of Kenya and absent during the time of votes. Had I been present, I would have voted:

YEA on Roll Call No. 421, S. 4785, a bill to extend by 19 days the authorization for the special assessment for the Domestic Trafficking Victims' Fund;

YEA on Roll Call No. 422, H.R. 5315, the Drone Infrastructure Inspection Grant Act; and

YEA on Roll Call No. 423, H.R. 1066, the Wildfire Recovery Act.